Valid nomination papers for the election of a member to the Advisory Committee on Agriculture, Panchayats, etc.

Mr. President: I have to announce that valid nominations have been received of the following members for the election to the Advisory Committee on Agriculture, Panchayats, etc.—

Mr. A. B. Salem	..	Proposed by Mr. M. Krishna Menon, Seconded by Mr. K. Narayana Menon.
Mr. C. K. S. Moni	..	Proposed by Mr. A. T. Kunhipalu, Seconded by Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon.

The election will be conducted by the Secretary to Government at 5 p.m. this afternoon.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

1. Rs. 6,000 under "25-A-2. Rural Sanitation—Supplies and Services—Charges for prevention of epidemics

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I move for an additional grant of Rs. 6,000 under "25-A-2 Rural Sanitation—Supplies and Services—Charges for prevention of epidemics".

Out of the sum of Rs. 10,000 sanctioned as additional allotment in the last sitting of the Legislative Council under "25-A-2. Rural Sanitation—Prevention of epidemics", a sum of Rs. 5,004—8—10 has been adjusted to the credit of the Trichur Municipality in connection with the plague at Trichur. Deducting also the expenditure for the establishment of the plague staff at Mattancheri and Chittur for Dhanu, Makaram and Kumbham 1119, and the cost of phenyle for which orders have been placed, there will be a balance of Rs. 2,643—7—2. Out of this, a sum of Rs. 1,500 will be necessary for the purchase of cyano-dust. Rs. 1,143—7—2 alone will, therefore, he available for meeting expenses in connection with small-pox epidemic.

The additional expenditure on account of small-pox epidemic will come to Rs. 7,264—4—0. Hence the necessity for an additional allotment of Rs. 6,000 under "25-A-2 Rural Sanitation—Supplies and Services—Charges for prevention for epidemics".

I request that this grant may be sanctioned.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* What was the nature of the appointments made in Chittur ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Additional Sanitary Inspector and also coolies. Then we had to take several preventive measures and such other matters.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* What were they doing there ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* They were doing preventive work, inoculation, etc.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Where they provided with necessary medicine ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes. I visited the place during the plague epidemic and I saw a patient and I saw these people going to several places and inocculating people. And it was due to these measures that we were able to control the epidemic.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* My question is not to question the appointments made, but it is, when it was made and was it effective.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* It was made soon after the plague broke out.

Demand put and carried

2. Rs. 300 under "10-Stamps—Miscellaneous"

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Sir, I move for a supplementary grant of Rs. 300 under "10-Stamps—Miscellaneous". This relates to miscellaneous charges, such as cooly hire and things like that, cost of transport and other things. I request that the House may be pleased to vote the grant.

Demand put and carried

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